

HOTEL TALK AGAIN.

A Modern Six-Story Structure of the Italian Renaissance Style to Cost \$150,000.

C. M. ATTERBERRY IS THE LEADER.

He Says It is a Sure Thing—Decatur Money to Go into the Enterprise With Over \$50,000 of Chicago Cash.

Lately the Republican has been giving its readers a rest on new hotel talk—not because it is not always an interesting topic for gossip, but because some of the preparations for action were not ready to be given to the public. Some time ago it was stated that C. M. Atterberry represented a syndicate of capitalists who would put up a magnificent hotel in Decatur on one of two sites, if sufficient stock were taken by local capitalists. The proposition has been received with such favor by Decatur people that the scheme is now well under way. Mr. Atterberry is in Chicago this week, and was in conference with the gentlemen there who have the money ready to put into the enterprise. They have had the plans drawn for the proposed hotel, subject to such changes as may be advisable.

The architects who draw the plans are Wilson & Marshall, who planned and built some of the finest residences in the city notably those for Mayor Conklin, Superintendent George C. Kineman, W. C. Armstrong, O. B. Gorin, and J. A. Menawether. The hotel building will be six stories high, and will have a corner frontage of 100 feet each way. It will contain when finished about 150 rooms.

The general style of the architecture will be colonial. Many new features will be introduced into the office and reception rooms which will be treated in the Italian Renaissance style, producing very beautiful effects. The floors of the offices and the rotunda will be of mosaic worked in special designs of the architects.

The working appliances throughout the hotel will be of the most modern description and complete in every respect. The electric service will be of the very best, and the general finish of the rooms will be in a variety of hard woods. The exterior finish of the towering structure will be of Roman brick with white terra cotta trimmings.

The architects and several of the Chicago gentlemen interested will be in Decatur in a few days with a sketch of the plans. The matter of a bonus does not enter into this deal. The proposition is to sell a certain amount of the stock to Decatur people, the Chicago parties to take a large block of the stock. The names of a dozen Decatur gentlemen who will take stock in the hotel are given, and they are men of such means and property interests that it looks as though the hotel will materialize in the near future.

It is not given out just where the hotel will be erected, but the knowing ones say that the Thatcher lot at the corner of Water and North streets is one of the principal sites chosen.

Musical Club.
The members of the Musical Culture Club were entertained yesterday morning at the home of Mrs. Will Barnes on West William street. A musical program was rendered and a business meeting held. Those who presented musical numbers were Mrs. W. J. Hostetter, Miss Montgomerie, Mrs. W. J. Hostetter, Miss Connelly, Miss Ada Haines and Mrs. A. B. Alexander. A paper on Chopin was read by Mrs. R. G. Hobbs.

The Chicago Excursion.
The cheap excursion to Chicago was well patronized this morning. The fare was only \$2 for the round trip and the people took advantage of it and a large number went to Chicago to stay over Sunday. There will probably be many more who will go tonight. It was the first excursion of the season.

Early Morning Fire.
About 1 o'clock this morning the Morgan street crew of the fire department was called to the residence of Casper Drossen at No. 1511 East Marietta street. An old house in the rear of the residence was burned and several were trees destroyed. The damage amounted to about \$1,000. There was no insurance.

At the Y. M. C. A.
There will be a men's meeting at 8:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. rooms. Frank Dawson will lead. His subject will be, "Is the Young Man Saved." All young men are invited to attend.

Working Women's Home Association.
Jan. 11, 1896.
Our Working Women's Home Association used your money and the six weeks ago, and are using it today. It always has been a favorite, for while its taste is not at all unpleasing its effects are very beneficial. It has never yet disappointed us. Wish you all possible success, sincerely yours, Laura G. Flynn, Bus. Mgr. Neider Drug & Supply Co. and N. L. Krouse.—April 7-dew

On three different occasions the Methodist church at East Peoria has been entered at night and the organ injured.

Have You Had the Grip?
If you have, you probably need a reliable medicine like Foley's Kidney and Bladder Pills. They will help you to get your lungs and stop the macking cough incidental to this disease. Neider Drug & Supply Co. and N. L. Krouse.

The Congregational Church association was in session at Morton Tuesday and Wednesday.

Leaving Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

HOME RULE IN CUBA.

This Much to be Offered the Cubans by Spain.

WILL CHANGE PRESENT SITUATION.

And May Result in Immediate Peace on the Island.—In Any Event It Will Mean Better Things.

Washington, April 20.—Spain will within the next few weeks put into execution a comprehensive system of home rule or autonomy for Cuba. There are good reasons to believe the state department has received information to this effect from Madrid. In any event it is beyond question this important move is assured. It promises to bring to a sudden termination the irritation and friction which has existed for months between Spain and the United States and replace this feeling with one of a friendly nature. The law which will be put into effect, signed by Queen Regent, March 15th, 1896, will be followed by regulations developing the present scheme for reforms. The Spanish cortes assemblies in a month and by that time the law will be promulgated throughout Cuba. The law is very elaborate. Home rule will be introduced by the establishment of two local bodies drawn largely, if not entirely, from the residents of Cuba; one to be known as a provincial chamber of deputies; the other a council of administration. The latter has appellate jurisdiction over the former. Large powers are granted the council of administration in the internal management of public affairs. The governor general will continue the supreme representative of Spain and will have direct charge of the military, naval and internal questions.

CITY COUNCIL WAR.

Des Moines Has One That Promises to be Interesting.

Des Moines, April 20.—The new city council got itself into office by 8:30 o'clock this morning, beating the old members into the chamber by one hour. C. W. Boardman and E. W. Crellin were confirmed for the board of public works though there is a strong protest that the action is illegal. Nominations for chiefs of the fire and police departments were all confirmed. Five of the new west side aldermen are largely doing business without the aid of the four east side aldermen. Probably all the old office holders who are largely east sides, who can be, will be legislated out of office by night.

Distribution of World's Fair Diplomas.

Washington, April 20.—The long expected distribution of the Columbian Exposition diplomas and medals began today with turning over to the German ambassador the three thousand diplomas and medals awarded to the German exhibitors. These awarded the American exhibitors will be ready for delivery within ten days or two weeks. Those to English, French and other foreign exhibitors will be ready for delivery within a month.

Ex-United States Consul Waller came to the state department today and had a short interview with assistant Secretary Adee. He will endeavor to see Secretary Olney later in the week.

Will Plead for Murderer Harris.

Freeport, Ark., April 20.—Attorney W. N. Crook and Mrs. Frank W. Harris will appear before Governor Altgeld on Monday to plead for the life of Harris, who, unless the governor interferes, will be hanged on May 1 for the murder of Charles Bengt last May. They will ask the governor to commute his sentence to life imprisonment. The main plea will be that Harris was not properly defended. Harris was a chum of "Pacer" Smith who was hanged in Decatur.

Weather This Afternoon and Tuesday.

Chicago, April 20.—Illinois: Showers this afternoon and tonight; fair cooler Tuesday; fresh south to southwest winds. Iowa: Rain this afternoon; fair except rain cast tonight; fair Tuesday; cooler tonight; winds shifting to northwest. South Dakota: Fair tonight and Tuesday; warmer northwest Tuesday; probably frost tonight; northerly winds.

International Bi-Metall Conference.

Brussels, April 20.—The bi-metall conference for purpose of paying the way to the international negotiations on the subject met here today. Delegates from Germany, the United States, Great Britain, France, Austria, Russia, Belgium, Denmark, Holland and Roumania are present.

Royalty at the Altar.

Coburg, April 20.—The wedding of Princess Alexandra of Sax-Coburg-Gotha, third daughter of Duke of Edinburgh to hereditary Prince Ernest of Hohenlohe Langenburg occurred today and was attended by many scenes of royalty and other prominent people.

Better News From South Africa.

London, April 20.—The Exchange Telegraph company says the government has received news that a wagon train of provisions from the south succeeded in entering Bulawayo, and re-enforcements from Mafeking are advancing rapidly without obstruction.

Fatal Result of Collision With Steamer.

Glasgow, April 20.—The steamer Harve collided with the bark Firth of St. Mary, sinking the latter. Thirteen seamen and Captain Kendrick, wife and child, were drowned.

PEORIA GETS IT.

Democratic State Central Committee Declines to Hold the Convention There June 23.

Chicago, April 20.—The Democratic state central committee today decided to hold the state convention at Peoria Tuesday, June 23rd, by a vote of twenty-one to nine.

The basis of representation is one delegate for every four hundred votes cast for Cleveland, in 1892; touching this action the evening the Journal will say: "On both issues the free silverites won a decided victory over the gold standard element of the party. Peoria is the place favored by Hinrichsen and the free silver followers. The gold standard men fought for Springfield. The basis of representation, while it apparently concedes the demand of the gold standard people, being based on vote of 1892, is really fixed to suit the silverites ratio, one to four hundred insuring just the representation they desire. The committee also boomed the administration of Governor Altgeld, although it did not endorse it by any formal resolution. Every speaker who addressed the meeting eulogized Altgeld, and declared his administration has made him worthy of being retained another four years. These allusions were greeted with loud cheers. Ex-Mayor Hopkins, of Chicago, by his vote showed himself to be still with his free silver friends."

House and Senate To-Day.

Washington, April 20.—The house went into committee of the whole on the general deficiency appropriation bill. The senate joint resolution for the appointment of General Franklin, General Baile, General Henderson and Representative Steele, members of the board of managers of the national soldiers' home was adopted. Allison (Iowa) reported the sundry civil appropriation bill and said he would ask to have it taken up as soon as possible.

The senate took up the Indian appropriation bill. Pending the question of an amendment by Carter (Mont.) striking out the provision that no appropriations shall be made to sectarian schools, Pfeiffer offered a further amendment directing the secretary of the interior to provide for temporary schools for any Indian children deprived of such school facilities by closing sectarian schools. This was adopted. Cockerill (Mo.) offered a substitute for the entire proposition. It provides for contract with existing schools for 1897, to extend fifty per cent. of the contract of 1895, and adds the following, "and it is hereby declared to be the settled policy of the government to make no appropriations for the education of Indian children in any sectarian school as soon as it is possible for provision to be made for their education otherwise, and the secretary of the interior is hereby directed to make such provision at the earliest practicable day not later than July 1st, 1898." Consideration of this branch of the bill was then deferred. Appropriations in connection with the settlement with the western Cherokee Indians was very sharply criticized. Palmer (Ill.) explained that in his opinion it is a palpable fraud on its face.

At the conclusion of the consideration of this subject Pfeiffer's bond investigation resolution came up, but after a sharp controversy, it was laid aside. Pfeiffer agreeing to a postponement after appeal by Allison that the appropriation bills should not be delayed.

Among the items of increase in the sundry civil appropriation bill as reported to the senate is ten thousand dollars for a fish hatchery in the Black Hills, South Dakota.

Woman Postmaster Rifles the Mail.
Harrison, Ark., April 20.—Mrs. Luna Lucas, postmaster at Oregon, Ark., north of here, was arrested Saturday and brought to Harrison, charged with rifling registered letters and packages which came to that office. Some of the goods stolen were found in her possession, among them a silk dress. Messrs. Hank and Williams, postoffice inspectors of this district, obtained proof by means of decoy letters. She has acknowledged her guilt and will be sent to Fort Smith for trial.

Tragedy Over a Young Woman.

Bonham, Tex., April 20.—Yesterday evening at a small place named Last Chance, five miles east of this city, Jim Franklin shot W. Shumate twice, one ball striking him in the right side and the other in the back, as Shumate had turned and was fleeing from his assailant. The trouble arose over a young woman whom both were courting. Shumate's wounds are said to be fatal. Franklin escaped, but officers are after him.

Jefferson County (Ill.) Republicans.

Mount Vernon, Ill., April 20.—Republican conventions were held throughout Jefferson county Saturday for the purpose of selecting delegates to the county convention to be held in this city next Saturday at which time delegates to the state and senatorial conventions will be selected. Where instructions were given delegates they were for McKinley for president and Tamm for governor.

Indiana Republicans for McKinley.

Greencastle, Ind., April 20.—The Republicans of Putnam county held a large and enthusiastic convention Saturday. A county ticket was nominated and speeches were delivered by the venerable R. W. Thompson, of Terre Haute, and John L. Griffiths, of Indianapolis. W. B. McKee was also in attendance. The convention endorsed McKinley.

The Large Elevator Owned by John L. Smiley at Watska was Destroyed by Fire.

Early Wednesday morning; loss \$2,000.

M'KINLEY DELEGATES

Gen. Grosvenor's Claims for the Ohio Favorite.

RESULTS COMPARED WITH FORECASTS.

Tables Showing the Number of Delegates Already Chosen and Estimates of Those Yet to be Elected A Sure Thing.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The following is the statement given out by Gen. Grosvenor last night, pursuant to the custom which has prevailed to announce the proceedings of the McKinley campaign in the press of each Monday. Gen. Grosvenor said: "Before giving you the situation as it stands today, I want to call attention to my first bulletin, which was issued before any delegates had been elected. At that time I predicted that the vote for McKinley on the first ballot would be as stated below. I place now within the first column my prediction at that early date, and in the second column I place the results in all of the states in which the full complement of delegates have been chosen."

Alabama.....	18	18
Arkansas.....	16	16
California.....	10	10
Florida.....	8	8
Georgia.....	18	18
Idaho.....	2	2
Indiana.....	20	20
Illinois.....	20	20
Kansas.....	10	10
Kentucky.....	10	10
Louisiana.....	11	11
Maine.....	6	6
Maryland.....	10	10
Michigan.....	20	20
Mississippi.....	18	18
Missouri.....	20	20
Nebraska.....	10	10
New Jersey.....	10	10
New Mexico.....	6	6
New York.....	14	14
North Carolina.....	14	14
North Dakota.....	3	3
Ohio.....	46	46
Oklahoma.....	2	2
Oregon.....	8	8
South Carolina.....	8	8
South Dakota.....	12	12
Tennessee.....	15	15
Texas.....	14	14
Vermont.....	2	2
Virginia.....	18	18
Washington.....	4	4
West Virginia.....	12	12
Wisconsin.....	20	20
Wyoming.....	2	2
Total.....	431	431

"It will be seen that Kentucky, New Mexico and Utah have fallen below my estimate, five in Kentucky, five in New Mexico and one in Utah; while Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Illinois, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Wisconsin have all gained. This comparison of the original estimates, which are based on the actual results from elections in 28 states, shows clearly that the estimate was too low.

"There have been elected delegates in states that I did not claim in that estimate—Minnesota 18, New York four and Pennsylvania two. And it will thus be seen that if the same ratio of gain is maintained to the end of the states, the original prediction there will not only be the 43 delegates claimed, but there will be a clear majority of the convention in these states alone and those in which I claimed nothing in my original estimate.

"Following is the present condition of the McKinley vote, including, as usual, the full vote of Ohio and Indiana:

Alabama.....	12	12
Arkansas.....	16	16
California.....	10	10
Florida.....	8	8
Georgia.....	18	18
Idaho.....	2	2
Indiana.....	20	20
Illinois.....	20	20
Kansas.....	10	10
Kentucky.....	10	10
Louisiana.....	11	11
Maine.....	6	6
Maryland.....	10	10
Michigan.....	20	20
Mississippi.....	18	18
Missouri.....	20	20
Nebraska.....	10	10
New Jersey.....	10	10
New Mexico.....	6	6
New York.....	14	14
North Carolina.....	14	14
North Dakota.....	3	3
Ohio.....	46	46
Oklahoma.....	2	2
Oregon.....	8	8
South Carolina.....	8	8
South Dakota.....	12	12
Tennessee.....	15	15
Texas.....	14	14
Vermont.....	2	2
Virginia.....	18	18
Washington.....	4	4
West Virginia.....	12	12
Wisconsin.....	20	20
Wyoming.....	2	2
Total.....	477	477

"The New York Tribune of this morning gives McKinley 418 practically uncontested and instructed votes. In my report I exclude doubtful votes and have failed to claim a number of votes for McKinley. The remainder of April there will be elections in Connecticut, Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Indian Territory, Alabama, Georgia, Illinois, Vermont and Arizona, in all 64 votes. Out of this number it is a very low and conservative estimate to claim for McKinley 100 delegates. Then will follow in the month of May conventions in the following states: California, Indiana, Michigan, Nevada, West Virginia, Montana, Missouri, Delaware, Colorado, Washington, Idaho, Wyoming and North Carolina, with 153 delegates. It will be seen that the McKinley situation has not only constantly improved, but is rapidly approaching a triumphant conclusion."

W. R. Foster is soon to establish a flouring mill at Atlanta.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

—Falling rain in the Eddy Creek shaft at Olyphant, Pa., Saturday, killed four men.

—The total appropriations by the present congress so far aggregate \$305,037,405.

—On Saturday the banks of New York city held \$18,319,370 in excess of the requirements of the 25-per-cent. rule.

—Lieut. Peary, the arctic explorer, it is rumored, may again head an exploring expedition to the Arctic regions.

—Friendly Arabs report that Osman Digna is retreating from Adramara. A friendly chief, Omar, has occupied Adama.

—The Dominion house of commons has passed a resolution sympathizing with the Christian population in Asiatic Turkey.

—Some unknown woman, filled with devilish hatred, dashed a can of concentrated lye into the face of Mrs. Nellie Garrison, of St. Louis, completely blinding her.

—The gold output of California for the year 1895 was \$15,334,317.09, as compared with \$13,663,281.59 in 1894. The silver output for 1895 was \$509,799.70, against \$202,331.55 for 1894.

—A decrease beyond all precedent in the Australian wool clip for 1895 is reported to the state department by Deputy Consul General William H. States consul general at Melbourne.

—The senate committee on military affairs by a unanimous vote has ordered a favorable report on the list of directors of the National soldiers' home as agreed to by the house.

—The general deficiency bill—the last of the general appropriation bills—has been reported to the house by Chairman Cannon. The measure carries an appropriation of \$4,791,340.

—A Boston special says Rev. William E. Russell, through Judge John W. Corcoran, chairman of the democratic state committee, has announced his candidacy for the nomination for the presidency.

—Mrs. Bell, accused of revolting cruelties towards her grandchildren, Percy and Ometia Short, was found guilty at the Ottawa, Ont., assize court, and sentenced to imprisonment for the remainder of her life.

—It was asserted Saturday that Gen. Maceo had recrossed the military trocha, and was once more in Havana province. The military trocha between Majana and Mariel was supposed to be as solid as an iron wall.

—Miss Rosie Chabak, was killed at Worcester, Mass., while riding a bicycle. She fell from the wheel directly under a heavily laden cart, and was crushed so badly that she died while on the way to the hospital.

—Early Saturday morning Starling Salvage was taken from his bed at Irving College Tenn., by a mob of masked men, and was hanged to a tree. He was suspected of being a "spotter" for the United States internal revenue.

—In a statement issued by the Baltimore and Ohio railway it is asserted that during the past 18 years there was an unwarranted increase in the floating debt to the amount of more than \$12,000,000.

—Mr. Foster, minister of finance, said in the Dominion house of commons, he had been urged to make numerous changes in the tariff, but owing to the shortness of the session he could not see his way clear to recommend any of them.

—A dispatch from Cape Town says no official statement from any source is worth considering for a moment that the ground the Bulawayo is not in danger. Bulawayo is in great danger. In fact, ere this the town may be in the hands of the Matabele.

—The developments in the case of Mrs. Dyer, who was arrested at Reading, England, in connection with the discovery of the bodies of a number of infants in the Thames, are horrifying to the country. Wholesome infant murderer has been traced to her door.

—The \$10,000 barn of Thomas C. Jefferson, two miles from Lexington, Ky., on the Harrodsburg pike, was destroyed by fire Saturday; insurance, \$5,000. All of Jefferson's horses, save six, were in paddocks, and the goods had difficulty in getting the six out.

—During a severe thunder storm the home of Andrew Olson, at Wallace, Mich., was struck by two bolts of lightning, and two of his children, a boy aged eight and a girl of six years, were killed. Olson and his wife and a young woman, Miss Anderson, were prostrated, and seriously injured.

—The weekly statement of the New York Associated Press for the week ended Saturday showed the following changes: Reserve, increase, \$208,100; loans, increase, \$309,400; specie, decrease, \$205,600; legal tenders, increase, \$640,100; deposits, increase, \$905,600; circulation, increase, \$10,600.

—Chief Blackhawk, now 100 years old, is dying in his wigwam, nine miles from a home and his wife is now his nurse. He is the last of his race, being a direct descendant from Blackhawk, the noted chief of the war of 1812. The dying warrior has ruled the remnant of the once powerful Winnebago tribe for the last half century.

Blown to Pieces with a Dynamite Bomb.

LONDON, April 20.—The Times today publishes a dispatch from Lisbon saying that while a wealthy manufacturer of that city named Dominguez was driving in a carriage Saturday night to the Alexandria railway station a bomb exploded in the carriage, and he was thrown at the carriage. The missile exploded, blowing Senor Dominguez and his coachman to pieces. The police are searching for the miscreant who threw the bomb.

A Modest Claim.

LONDON, April 20.—The Daily News today says that President Kruger has claimed an indemnity of £1,500,000 from the British South Africa Co. for the recent raid of Dr. Jameson into the Transvaal.

One of the speakers for the Eureka summer encampment is Rev. Robert McIntyre.

TWO FIREMEN KILLED

By Falling Walls and Many Others Seriously Injured.

VALUABLE ROLLING STOCK BURNED.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Co. Loses More than a Third of a Million Dollars by Fire at Philadelphia Without Insurance.

PHILADELPHIA, April 19.—The old Pennsylvania railroad depot at Thirty-second and Market streets and the train shed, together with eight Pullman cars and about thirty passenger coaches, were totally destroyed by fire last night. Two firemen were killed by falling walls and over a dozen others were injured. The loss is estimated at \$350,000. The Pennsylvania Railroad Co. carried its own insurance.

The fire started at 4:30 o'clock precisely from an explosion of gasoline, in a coal bin under the train shed. The fire raged for six hours, and it was not extinguished until midnight.

Shortly after five o'clock an iron portion in front of the building fell and four firemen were caught in the debris and badly injured.

The most serious disaster occurred two hours later when a two-story wing of the building fell without warning, burying half a dozen firemen under the mass of hot bricks. The men were rescued in short time, but Stieglitz and McGarran had sustained fatal injuries. McGarran regained consciousness shortly before he breathed his last and asked that a priest be summoned. The clergyman arrived a few minutes too late. He leaves a wife and three children. Slaughter had been a fireman for thirty years in the Pennsylvania railroad.

The building was equipped by several officials of the Pennsylvania railroad, and valuable records and plans were destroyed.

DAMAGING FOREST FIRES.

Again Visit Knox County, Ohio.—Valuable Timber Destroyed.

CHILLICOTHE, O., April 20.—Forest fires which created so much havoc in this county last summer, have commenced again and already have done considerable damage. They were started Friday night on a hillside by a man burning brush on the woodland. The flames communicated to trees, which were as dry as tinder, and soon a fierce fire was raging.

Nearly five hundred people, from all the country around, gathered to fight the flames, realizing that their homes were in danger. The fire was of a valuable paper and walnut timber, has been destroyed, aggregating a loss of over two thousand dollars. The long drought and hot weather have rendered the forests particularly inflammable and unless rain comes soon other fires are expected.

SAFETY AND JUNEAN OVERFLOWING WITH MINERS.

Donned to Disruptment.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20.—According to advices received per schooner Excelsior, which arrived from Cook's Island Saturday, a serious state of affairs reigns in Alaska.

Sitka and Juneau are known to be overflowing with miners who cannot start the gold fields on account of the ice and snow that has piled up. The country is overrun with prospectors and in some instances the suffering of the adventurers is heartrending. Starvation faces many who have forced their way into the interior and privation awaits all.

THE EXISTENCE OF SMALLPOX.

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Armstrong Bros., druggists, have moved into the Chenoweth Block, next building to their former location. April 11-dtf

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SUNDAY AT CHURCH.

Services at the Opera House—Rev. E. B. Cake Advocates an Independent Church.

The congregation at St. John's Episcopal church Sunday night was the largest that has been at that church for some time. The fifth and last of a series of organ recitals was given by the organist, Fred Church. The pastor, Rev. Frank N. Atkin, gave an interesting lecture, the subject of which was "Ghosts—the Witch of Endor." The speaker declared his belief in ghosts of a certain character and cited illustrations from the bible and history.

R. W. Chilson sang the offertory solo, "Turn Thou Unto Me." After the regular evening service the following program was rendered: "St. Cecilia Offertoire," No. 3, Op. 9—Battiste.

Vocal Solo—"Come Unto Me"—Barr. —Miss Louise Boyd

"Largo"—"Sonata Op. 2," Beethoven. Cornet Solo—"Serenade," Schubert.—Mr. George Golze

"Minute," Schawwenka Vocal Duet—"Tarry With Me," Nicolai. Mrs. Howard and Miss Beatrice Howard.

"Halleluiah Chorus," "Messiah," Handel.

The organ selections by Mr. Church were all excellently given and the first number on the program was especially well presented. Miss Boyd sang in an unusually pleasing manner and the vocal duet by Mrs. Howard and Miss Howard was also very fine. The recitals which have been given at this church during the winter have been well attended and have met with the approval of the church people.

Methodist Church.

"The Prodigal's Elder Brother," was the subject of a sermon which was delivered by Rev. D. F. Howe before a large congregation at the First Methodist church Sunday morning. Mr. Howe said that the story of the prodigal son was not always properly understood. The wayward brother was always looked upon with pity and considered the worst of the two. The elder brother was really the mean one as he was selfish of the attention which his father showed to the prodigal and thought that he was the only one that should be cared for. The story was applied to the present time. There were elder brothers of that same position in the churches and other places. The wandering sons and daughters needed and should receive the love of their parents more than the good ones. The elder brother of the story was wrong because he served his brother for the reward he would receive. Many Christians were the same way. They were Christians because they

wanted to get their reward in heaven. The speaker said that this was wrong. The reward was in heaven but people should not be Christians simply in order to get it. If religion was right the true Christian should follow it regardless of reward.

For a New Church.

Rev. E. B. Cake preached Sunday afternoon at the opera house to quite a good sized audience. The services were independent of any church but the preacher's friends and members of other churches came to hear him speak. The subject of his sermon was "Tis Coming, Yes, 'Tis Coming." Mr. Cake preached quite an eloquent sermon, making an appeal for a church independent of denomination and founded upon humanity. The audience seemed to be well pleased with his remarks.

THE CONSTITUTION.

How Methodist Conference Stand on the Proposition to Amend It in May.

The absorbing subject of interest to most Methodist conferences throughout the country just now is the "constitutional question" on which voting is being done. One of the amendments under consideration is known as the "Hamilton amendment," providing "Nor of more than two lay delegates for an annual conference, and said delegates must be men or women."

On this amendment the votes in favor so far are reported is 400, while the opposition claims 3,611 votes. Another proposed amendment is to restrict, as follows: "Nor of more than two delegates for an annual conference, and said delegates may be men or women."

This amendment is known as the "Baltimore-Colored" amendment. For this proposed change there are 7,384 votes in favor and 3,327 against it. As to changing the ratio of representation—to substitute sixty-five for forty-five in the paragraph describing the basis of ministerial representation, the votes stand 5,659 in favor of the change and 2,354 against the same. Of course all conferences have not yet been heard from, but this figure includes all that have considered the questions. These proposed amendments will be considered in the general conference at Cleveland next month. There is much interest in Methodism over the outcome. All conferences are considering the perplexing problems which promise to agitate the Cleveland gathering quite considerably.

The Hamilton amendment is considered by many as rather vague. It is declared to be anomalous. The votes indicate popular sentiment. The proposal to declare women ineligible as delegates seems to have failed and the real measure has carried. A failure to admit women through the affirmative Baltimore-Colored amendment is somewhat neutralized by the success of the negative amendment—the Hamilton measure. Conservative people of the church prefer not to declare women's permanent non-eligibility, and in some cases have declined to vote at all. The main proposition of the Hamilton measure is to exclude women by declaring that they are not eligible.

Those who seem to favor making women eligible have proposed an amendment which seems to attack her eligibility. Those who wish that women shall triumph appear to have put forward that which suggests her defeat. If their amendment is lost they win that which on its face they appear to have asked. If their amendment wins they lose their fond wish. The amendments have stirred up much discussion because of the strange way in which they have been put forward.

CHURCH DEDICATION.

Ten Thousand Dollars Raised at Services in the Christian Church.

Charleston, Ill., April 20.—The first Christian church of this city was dedicated Sunday. The Rev. F. M. Rains of Cincinnati, preached the sermon and raised the sum of \$10,000. Prof. N. B. Donley, of Indianapolis, had charge of the music. Fully 1,000 strangers were in the city, and the church was crowded. The building is a beautiful brown stone structure, and cost about \$30,000. The Rev. M. Vawter is the pastor in charge.

Must Secure Permits. There is an ordinance in force to the effect that all undertakers must first secure a permit from the office of the city clerk before they can place a body in the grave of cemeteries in the city. The fine for failure to do so is \$10 to \$100. Under the regulations of the Greenwood cemetery association the undertakers are also required to secure a permit from the secretary of that organization. This makes double work for the funeral directors, but it is the law, and they will have to live up to the requirements or take the consequences. All of the blanks must be filled out properly and the fees must be paid. The undertakers look upon the matter as requiring entirely too much red tape work, but they will obey.

At the Y. M. C. A. Some of the members of the association will lead the services at the mission on East Eldorado street this evening.

The members of the ladies' central committee held a meeting this afternoon to make a carpet for one of the rooms at the Y. M. C. A.

Frank Dawson, of Springfield, was in the city Sunday and lead the men's meeting at the rooms.

George Gilbert, a member of the association, has returned from St. Louis where he has been for some time and expects to make his home in this city.

Living Pictures. From Charles Dana Gibson's celebrated drawings, will be given Wednesday evening, April 23rd, under the management and direction of the ladies of Decatur of acknowledged talent. The exhibition will be attractive and handsome in every part and worthy of liberal patronage. Nothing is being left undone to merit approbation. Many scenes will be new and novel. There will be vocal and instrumental music during the evening.

John Jones, a farmer living near Kansas, was almost scalped in a runaway accident recently.

BANKER THORNTON SNELL DEAD.

A Prominent Business Man of Clinton and DeWitt County Expires Suddenly at His Home in Bloomington.

Saturday evening at about six o'clock James Thornton Snell died suddenly of heart disease at his home in Bloomington, the result of a little exertion at his home in lifting a heavy article. He became faint after the exertion, but thought nothing of it, treating the matter so lightly that his wife went out to call on a neighbor, and while she was gone the husband expired. His son, Thornton, was with him a moment before he died. The banker was one of the principal business men of Clinton for many years, and at the time of his death, though he made his home in Bloomington, he was the president of the Clinton bank.

James Thornton Snell was born in Tazewell county, near Pekin, March 27, 1841, consequently he was in his 55th year. His father, Thomas Snell, soon after the birth of Thornton, removed with his family to Clinton, DeWitt county, and there the family made their home until twelve years ago. Shortly before the war the older Snell founded the DeWitt county National bank and placed his son behind the counters. Snell's bank, as it was generally termed, is known all over central Illinois, and did a very extensive business. Thornton grew up to manhood in Clinton, and became one of the leading citizens. At the call of President Lincoln for troops in 1864 he enlisted at Clinton in the 145th Illinois volunteer infantry, and served with credit until the close of the war. He was appointed quartermaster of his regiment, and occupied that office until mustered out.

Twenty-seven years ago in Clinton, the anniversary being but recently celebrated, he was united in marriage to his sorrowing wife, Miss Hannah A. Conkling. Their married life could not have been happier, and since they plighted their troth a quarter of a century ago nothing has occurred to mar their life's enjoyment until the shadow of death that fell so blackly Saturday. Three children came to bless the union, Lona, the eldest child and only daughter, and two sons, Thornton, Jr., a youth of 18, and Harry, the latter a bright lad of 12. Lona is now the wife of Will V. Dismore, and resides at San Jose, Cal. She was married four years ago. Besides the wife and three children, the father and one brother survive. The latter, Richard, resides in Kansas City. The older Snell's wife, mother of Thornton, Jr., has been dead about nineteen years.

The funeral will be held probably on Thursday.

A TARGET FOR BULLETS.

Attempt of Supposed Burglars to Kill Officer Ford—They Fled in the Darkness.

At an early hour this morning Officer Ford had a close call for his life while on his rounds in the performance of his duties. The hour was between one and two o'clock, when Ford was behind the Commercial block on East Eldorado street, trying the rear doors of the stores, and incidentally looking for prowlers. He had performed the same duty every night all through the winter, and as usual was alone. On entering the alley he observed no suspicious object, and had no special thought of danger. At the west side of the block near Broadway there is a rear stairway, used by the occupants of the upper floors. Officer Ford was about to look under the stairway to be sure that no one was in hiding, when he was startled by the sharp reports of a revolver. Two bullets were fired at him in rapid succession, but fortunately neither took effect. The officer was taken completely by surprise, as he was not looking for bullets. As quickly as possible he pulled out his revolver and got it going, but it was too late. The fellows who had attempted to kill him got away, turning into the street and vanishing from sight. Ford fired two bullets at the fellows but he failed to wing either of them.

The reports of the revolver aroused some of the people of the neighborhood, who wanted to know what was up. All Ford could tell them was that he had been attacked in ambush by supposed thieves who had probably laid their plans to rob some of the stores in the block and had been surprised in the act. It is evident that the fellows supposed that the officer had received a tip about their intentions, and that king that he was looking for them they were ready to give him a bullet or two in order to make their escape. So far as known none of the stores or dwellings in the neighborhood were entered last night. The episode was reported at police headquarters today, and all of the officers made special efforts to live up to the requirements in the hope of rounding up the fellows who made the attempt to murder or cripple Ford.

Entertainment To-Morrow Night. The members of the congregation of the College street chapel will give an entertainment tomorrow evening. The following program has been prepared:

Anthem by the choir. Instrumental Solo—Mrs. Pollock. Instrumental Duet—Misses Spillman and Bridges.

Recitation—Miss McConnell. Vocal Solo—William Yantis. Vocal Solo—C. W. Montgomery. Vocal Solo—Miss Entler. Piano Solo—Miss Edna Bunn. Recitation—Miss McNally.

Instrumental Solo—Arthur Pease. Vocal Duet—Miss Addie Ebert and Mrs. W. J. Hostetter.

Vocal Solo—Miss Ebert. Recitation—Miss McConnell. Instrumental Solo—Arthur Pease. Male Quartet—W. D. Lewis, J. W. Gilbert, S. H. Pollock and W. C. Pullen.

The proceeds of the entertainment will be used to renovate the chapel. The building is much too small for the Sunday school and the members hope to soon be able to build a new chapel.

The Columbia League. The Decatur branch of the Columbia League held a largely attended meeting last evening. It was the third annual anniversary. President J. J. Mullins announced 253 members on the roll and

John Brewer, one of the oldest and best known citizens of Macon county, is at the point of death.

NO TIDINGS OF CUNNINGHAM.

He Has a Shady Record—Heard of in Iowa—Still the Search Goes On.

The officers of the law seem to be up a stump, so to speak, as to W. S. Fox, alias Frank Cunningham, who is wanted for attempting to get money by crooked methods, but while they are looking for him in vain they are learning a good deal about the man's personal history.

The only tidings received since Saturday about the chap was a message from some point in Iowa stating that a party answering Cunningham's description had been seen in that town on the 17th.

It is learned that the home of Cunningham's parents is at Colfax in McLean county, and that the young man has given his relatives lots of trouble and expense. His people are all highly respected. His father is now a candidate for the nomination for the office of circuit clerk of McLean county. Frank is flatly declared to be a slippery fellow, having done time in the penitentiary in Montana for stealing from the express company he was working for. He is said to have forged a telegram on which he got money from the Corn Belt bank at Bloomington, but his friends made the loss good, and he was not prosecuted. While Frank was assistant postmaster at Salem he forged money orders amounting to several hundred dollars, which his grandfather made good.

HER ROMANCE IS SOON ENDED. Divorce and Warrant for Arrest Follow Marriage With an Englishman.

At Tuscola Miss Flo Lewis was on Saturday granted a decree of divorce by Judge Vail from William Tetley and her maiden name restored to her. The marriage of Miss Lewis and Lord Tetley created a sensation last December, when it occurred. Tetley is an actor and is known among the profession as Harry Lorraine.

When he came to Arcola last fall a half dozen of the village belles fell desperately in love with him. His choice fell upon Miss Flo Lewis and after a courtship of two weeks they planned to marry and leave town. They were married, but the same night the father of the girl stepped in and interfered. The next day it was learned the gay young Englishman had a wife at Grand Chain, Ill., from whom he had never been divorced.

Lord Tetley was compelled to flee to his home in Leeds, England, where his father is a rich brewer. The grand jury Saturday returned an indictment against him for bigamy and a warrant has been issued for his arrest.

Rare Wedding Celebration Tomorrow will be the sixtieth marriage anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Montgomery. It will be their joint wedding anniversary. It is planned to celebrate the rare occasion—sixty years of married life. The hours will be from three to five o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the family home, No. 526 North Main street. Sixty years ago the couple were married in a dwelling house which then stood on the present site of the J. R. Raoe residence. They are the parents of Alderman R. R. Montgomery and Mrs. W. R. Shull. The reception will be of an informal character. Many of their old friends will call and extend congratulations. All are cordially invited to call at the house and visit with the elderly people.

Adjudged Insane. In the county court by a commission composed of Dr. Dixon and Dr. Allen, Jacob Swinchart was adjudged insane on Saturday. Jacob is the young man who went wrong mentally down in Tennessee, and was brought here to be disposed of. He has been a theological student, and come to believe that he was in possession of important secrets direct from the New Jerusalem, and that he was in on vital matters affecting some great corporations. Judge Hammer on the report of the commission declared Swinchart insane, and ordered that he be taken to the Kankakee asylum for treatment. Swinchart is 27 years of age. His father went crazy and he had a brother who was an idiot.

New Officers. Canton Decatur, No. 19, Patriarchs Militant, have elected officers as follows: Captain—J. L. Drake. Lieutenant—R. H. Schroeder. Ensign—W. H. Peters. Clerk—C. M. Lytle. Accountant—John H. Kock.

Hunting Botanical Specimens. The members of the botany classes at the High school are busy gathering specimens of wild flowers. Many of the students of the class are required to have a certain number of pressed flowers which they must gather themselves.

Driving and Wheeling. Sunday was a fine day for the wheelmen and those who own vehicles. The delightful weather drew the people out of doors and everyone who could do so was riding a wheel or driving. There was quite a large crowd of people at Riverside park during the afternoon.

The special meeting of the board of supervisors will be held at the court house on Thursday afternoon. The board is to be reorganized by the election of a chairman, who will appoint the standing committees.

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25 pieces of Printed Warp, Persian and Dresden Silks, extra value, 75c yd. 20 pieces of finest Taffeta Silks, all Shades and Patterns, 75c yd. This is a regular \$1.25 quality. One lot of 50-inch Silk and Wool Crepons for Skirts at 50c yd. Regular \$1.50 quality.



Wash Goods.

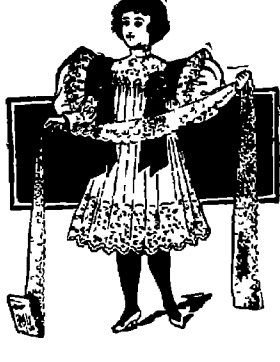
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Continuation of Lace Sale.

In addition to the Splendid Bargains we have been giving the last few days, we will on Monday add 200 pieces Net Top Point Venice Lace at 12c, 15c, 25c, 35c and 50c a yard. This is less than one-half regular price. Also a few pieces of Black Bourdon Lace, 4 inches wide at 12 1/2c, 5 inch at 15c, 8 inch at 18c and 9 inch at 22c.



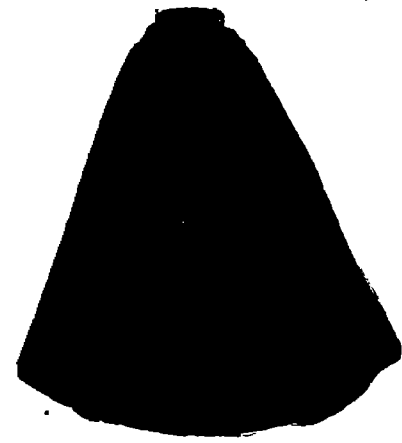
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play on important part in the garniture of all dressy costumes this season We are headquarters for them.



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50-inch all wool Cloth Cape, colors and black at \$1.75. 22-inch Broadcloth Cape, silk embroidered, turn-down collar, \$3.50. 20-inch fine Clay Worsted Cloth Double Cape, duchess satin edge, \$3.95. 16-inch Corded Silk Cape, silk lined, trimmed all around with silk ruffle, \$5.00. 16-inch Duchess Satin Cape, silk lined, fancy rich trimming all around, \$5.22. 18-inch Jet Embroidered Velvet, Cape very full sweep, fancy silk lining, chiffon collar, \$5.95. 16-inch Novelty Broadcloth Capes, self-strapped, pearl button trimmed, \$7.50. 16-inch Nobby Covert Cloth Capes, new embroidery, fancy silk lined, very full sweep, \$10.00.



Skirts.

Our \$1.95 Street Skirts, made of good quality serge and figured alpaca lined throughout with rustle cambric faced with velvetine, are perfect fitting and as well made as our \$10 Satin Duchess Skirt.

Fine all Wool French, Serge Dress Skirts fancy lined, black, \$3.95.

Black Brilliantine Dress Skirt, canvas lined, 4 yards wide \$3.95. Black Figured Silk Dress Skirts, 4 1/4 yards wide, \$8.95. Duchess Satin Dress Skirts, 5 yards wide, \$10.22 each. All Wool Storm Serge Street Suits, skirt 5 1/2 yards wide, best style tailor-made jacket, blue and black, \$7.95.

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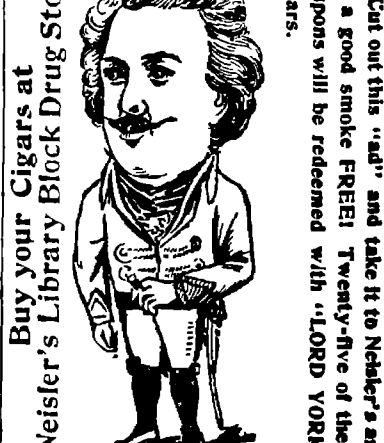
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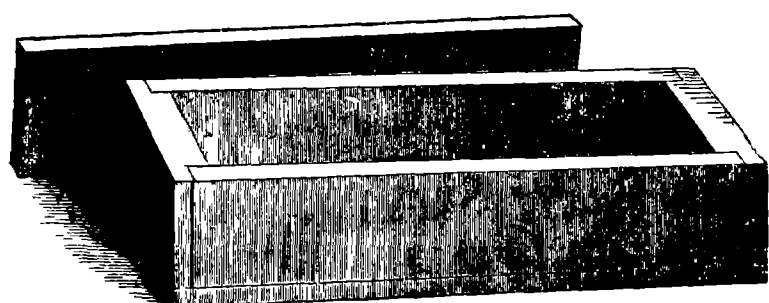
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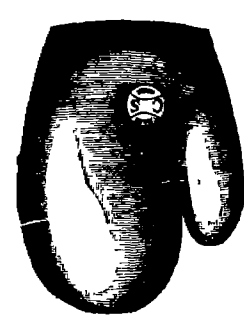
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A MEMORIAL.

The President and Congress Asked to In-
tervene in behalf of Rev. A.
berto J. Diaz.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 20.—At the
close of last evening's services at the
Central Baptist church the following
Memorial was unanimously adopted:
To the President and Senators and Representatives
in the National Congress at
Washington:
We the members of Central Baptist
church and congregation of Memphis
Tenn. have heard with pain and alarm of the
recent arrest and imprisonment of Rev. A.
berto J. Diaz, a naturalized citizen of these
United States and Missionary of the Southern
Baptist Convention at Havana, Cuba, and
Venezuela. We have reason to believe
that the arrest was not a political influ-
ence but a result of his arrest and imprisonment
in the United States.

Resolved, That we respectfully request that
you do all that you can consistent with the
honors of your country to secure his release and
restoration to the work in which he has been
so long and successfully engaged.

THE REBELLIOUS MATEBELES.

A Dynamite Train Laid at Bulawayo for
Their Destruction

CAPE TOWN, April 20.—A dispatch
from Bulawayo dated Saturday says
that the Matibele are increasing daily and that
they are massing near town. A dynamite
train that is arranged to be fired by
electricity has been laid in the out-
skirts and along the streets. The
mines are all connected with the
Central Laager and can be exploded
separately.

On Friday night some of the Matabele
changed their positions. It is
believed that they moved southward to
prevent the advance of the 700 men
from Mafeking, who are marching to
the relief of Bulawayo.

Ex-Convicts Arrive for Counterfeiting.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 20.—Secret
service agents of the government
raided a little shanty in the timber
near the city late Sunday night, and
captured 15 men engaged in making
counterfeit silver coin.

Then put up with a lot of bogus
coin were secured. George Johnson
and George Craig are the names of
the prisoners. Both are ex-convicts.
Five other members of the gang es-
caped. This is the crowd who dis-
ported the city with counterfeit coin a month
ago and for whom the officers have
been in search.

Zelaya Reports Three Victories Over the Rebels

NEW YORK, April 23.—A special cable
dispatch to the Herald from Managua,
Nicaragua, says:
As a result of Zelaya's presence in
the field he has gained three victories,
the first at La Cumbre Mocha, two miles
distant from Nicaragua, the second at
Las Limas, one of the best re-
sults of the war, and the third at
Mamotombo. The Federal con-
centration of forces at Leon is argu-
menting.

A Small Cyclone.

SCANDIA, Kan., April 19.—Early yester-
day morning a small cyclone passed
through Scandia from southwest to
northeast, blowing up houses, tearing
down barns and outbuildings, stripping
off trees and generally giving people a
severe scare. As far as learned no one
was hurt.

The Rising in Venezuela Crushed.

NEW YORK, April 20.—A special cable
dispatch to the Herald from La Guayra,
Venezuela, says: The war ship Rivas
is back with Gen. Paredes on board,
triumphant. The uprising which sud-
denly occurred in Nigraza was crushed
and the leaders captured.

Some benevolently inclined ladies of the Christian church at Eureka are re- arranging to furnish spring headwear to the poor girls of that city.

The 3-year-old son of Douglas Yeakel,
of Wayneville, was attacked by a vicious
dog recently and only escaped death by
time intervention.

The sixth annual convention of the Pe-
oria district Christian Endeavor Union
will be held in Peoria the first three days
of May.

Deer Creek is agitating the question of
a public park.

The First Ward Primaries

Editor Republican Will you permit
one who stood at the First Ward primary
more than an hour, to say a few things
concerning the election? I know nothing
of the nominee, Mr. Diehl. The re-
sult of that primary was affected by a
combination of the worst elements of the
city who in retaliation for what Col. M.
Shack has done determined to defeat him
whether by fair means or foul, they did
not care.

Before the voting began some one came
to the door and when asked what he was
doing there, said, "I was invited here."
Well, you are not a Republican. "No,
but I came here to vote all the same."
After a time when that "howling mob"
had crowded the house some one loud in
his yell for Diehl saw another Democrat
striving to get in his vote, and said to
him, "You don't vote here, you are a
Democrat. Let me see your ticket." He
showed it. "O well that is all right,"
said Diehl, he's the man. Down with
Matibele. Soon another came when the
same questions were asked and like an
aven's returned as before. Then "Huzrah
for Diehl. He's all right. He's our man."
Down with the colonel. Some one who
would not show his ticket was about to
vote when the same noisy crowd pressed
close around him, crying out violently,
"Vote for Diehl. Yes, vote for Diehl."
Some men stood there trying in vain to
get to vote decently until they were dis-
gusted they left, saying, "I am tired
of this kind of work—have stood as long
as I can. I am going home."

I did not keep count, but am sure
enough to have turned the election
the other way. The roughs and hummers
knew that Matibele was the choice of a
majority in the First ward, but because
he had tried to do his duty they tried to
down him, and they were one they can
manage. Their candidate is committed
to that side. Logically he must favor
them, and thus encourage vice, lawless-
ness and crime. It is high time that good
citizens of all parties rise and unite to
suppress the baser elements of society
that try to control our city elections.

No man has a natural right to sell in-
fluence and yet these fellows want to make
the laws and the law makers that regu-
late the matter. And then these contempti-
ble leeches and parasites, the gamblers
must kick, and raise a fiendish howl if
good men—the better elements of society
demand wholesome legislation and the
enforcement of the laws.

But Matibele is "a blotter," not at all
He went into that primary in good faith
and would have accepted the results if
any fairness and honor had been observed
the entire satisfactory that it was not
never before witnessed. The chairman
would have been entirely justified in de-
claring the election off, in the midst of it.
But it is said Matibele will hurt the party
by being a candidate. No, not half so
much as it is said. He will be accepted
the place secured by such methods. I
heard him say the night of the primary
that those methods were an everlasting
disgrace to the Republican party, and they
would never vote the ticket if that was
the way things were to be run. They
said, "It is a regular steal there is no
thing about it and if I were Matibele I
would contest the election." About sixty
men voted who were not entitled to vote
there. The colonel is out because his
friends would not submit to the steal and
they brought him out. He is running in
the interests of good government; his
opponent in the interests of law-breakers.

Decatur, Ill., April 20

J. W. PIERCE, Republican, Ia., says: "I
have used One Minute Cough Cure in
my family and for myself, with results
so entirely satisfactory that I can
hardly find words to express myself as
to its merits. I will never fail to re-
commend it to others on every occasion
that presents itself." West's Drug
Store.

While at work in a field near Wenona
recently, Henry Hopkins was struck in
the face by a bullet fired by some one
on the railroad some distance away. The
force of the ball was spent and it did no
further injury than to burn his face.

SOOTHING, healing, cleansing, DeWitt's
Witch Hazel Salve is the enemy to sores
wounds and piles, which it never fails to
cure. Stops itching and burning. Cures
chapped lips and cold sores in two or
three hours. West's Drug Store.

At Washington the other day a horse
fell into a cistern and in order to get the
animal out it was necessary to tear out
the walls.

PICTURING A SEA FIGHT.

How Instantaneous Photography Figures

Instantaneous photography has made
it easy to-day for men with little knowl-
edge of seamanship to place ships and
boats under sail in a picture, but in
early days, says Temple Bar, the power
of doing so correctly was limited to a
few men like Stanfield and Capt. Beatty,
R. N.

The difficulty of obtaining anything
like a reliable description of a sea fight,
even from those who had taken part in
it, was, according to Stanfield, very
great, and he told us how, when plan-
ning his picture of "The Battle of Trafalgar," he applied to Capt. Hardy for
advice as to the position of the Victory.
Hardy's answer being that, owing to
the smoke, it was impossible during
the height of the action to see beyond
the ships alongside, adding: "I am
about the worst man you could come to,
for some time before that which your
picture represents the Victory's taller
ropes had been shot away, and I was be-
low in the stowage attending to them
and the helm, and down there we knew
so little of what was going on that we
continued to load and fire one of her
stern guns until ordered from the deck
to stop because we were firing into one
of our own ships."

Lake Louthborough, Stanfield had
been at sea as a young man, while both
owed much of their facility and power
of composing a subject to their early
training in the scene. But I think
Louthborough greatly surpassed Stanfield
as a draughtsman and in knowl-
edge of naval architecture.

KISSING OF HANDS TABOOED.

Hygienic Reasons Lead to Abandonment
of an Austrian Custom.

It has hitherto, says the New Orleans
Pineyune, been the custom of the chil-
dren attending the public schools in
Austria and Hungary to kiss the hands
of the teacher on arrival and departure.
This has now been forbidden by an
order from the imperial board of edu-
cation, which bases its action on the
fact that sanitary investigation has
shown that kissing is unhygienic and
should not be practiced except when
absolutely necessary. This brings up
a very nice point of law to establish
when kissing is absolutely necessary.
If the public school teachers of Aus-
tria and Hungary are old and ugly it
is likely that the scholars will acquiesce
in the new ruling without a murmur.
If, on the other hand, the schoolmasters
are young and handsome, like most of
the New Orleans teachers, then the boys
in Austrian schools may keep up the
good old custom of kissing the teacher,
and plead that it was a case
when kissing was absolutely necessary.
Science is going too far, anyway, when
it finds microbes in kisses and tries
to establish a quarantine against them.
Kissing goes by favor, and not by law.
When the kisser is in love and the kissed
is pretty, it is always a case of abso-
lute necessity, not amenable to Austrian
or any other kind of laws.

A STRICT SABBATHARIAN.

The Sunday Question as Solved by a Maine
Farmer.

A case of unusual strictness in Sab-
bath observance is reported from West
Auburn, Me. A farmer was waited on
by one of his neighbors who asked for
the loan of his team the following Sun-
day to take his wife and children to
the cemetery. At first he flatly refused
to let the team, arguing that it would
be a sin to receive money for such a
thing on the Sabbath day, but he finally
said to the neighbor that he would
think it over and let him know Satur-
day, remarking that he would pray
over it in the meantime. Saturday the
neighbor called and the farmer said
that he pondered and prayed over the
matter and came to the conclusion that
it would be no harm to let the team,
but that the neighbor must not pay for
it until some week day following. So
the neighbor hired the team to go to
the cemetery on Sunday, paying for it
on Monday, and everything was satis-
factory.

BARGAIN COLUMN.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may
be inserted in this column at the rate of 10
cents per week, payable invariably in advance.

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

WANTED—ROOMING CO. FRANCHISE—Either
state, tin, galvanized steel, painted steel
or "black diamond" prepared roofing for all
classes of buildings. Sheet metal job work ex-
cuted in all its branches. Estimates, sam-
ples, etc., address Decatur Steel Roofing Co.,
or Brush Bros., phone 624. Jan 19-17

WANTED—An agent in every section to can-
vass \$2.00 to \$5.00 a day made selling at
sight, also a m in to sell Staple Goods to dealers,
best side than \$75.00 a month. Salary or large
commission. No experience necessary. Write
Clifton Soap & Manufacturing Co., Cincinnati, O.
Oct 8, 1896-dly

WANTED—Paper Hanging With 35 years
experience I am prepared to give prompt
attention to all orders for Painting and Paper
Hanging from all parts of the city. Prices rea-
sonable and all work guaranteed. New York
phone No 306 D. M. MILLIN Apr 17-17

WANTED—Stores to store for the summer
low charges. Clean, safe brick ware-
house for general storage. Telephone 22. V
H. Parks & Son 621 North Main. April 8-17

WANTED—The people who know that they can
buy first-class second-hand furniture and
stores of us at half-price. We have a splendid
stock of second-hand furniture and stores
newly upholstered and refinished, just as good
as new, bedroom sets, parlor sets, dining
room sets, Chicago, Boston, Hard, St. Louis,
282 East Main street, first door west of Grindol's
store. All kinds of furniture. Write for
catalogue at short notice. April 14-17

LOST—On the corner of Church and Eldorado
streets a Library book and a school book.
The finder will please return same to the
publican office. dly

FOR RENT.

Room with banquet, dressing, reception and
bath rooms, in Gallagher Block. Rooms now
open for inspection. Apply to CAMERON
HAYFORD for particulars. March 23-17

FOR RENT—Seventy acres of good pasture—
one mile south of Harrisonville. Apply to J.
CAMP, Harrisonville. Apr 10-17

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—A good house for sale cheap.
Call on J. H. Corbin at banking house, 15
Mills & Co., 1500 North Main St., or J. H. Corbin
at 1500 North Main St. 15-17

FOR SALE—A first class queen bed room
furniture, on reasonable terms. Apply to
Room 12, Hotel Brunswick. Apr 10-17

DRUGS AND BOOK STORES FOR SALE.—The
Baltimore stock of Drugs and Books, in-
cluding a four year lease. Write for
particulars. J. W. JACKSON, Assiniboia
March 23-17

FOR SALE—Four room house on West Main
St. eta street, just finished, well and clean
and necessary outbuildings. Small payment
down. For particulars apply to J. H. Corbin
at Grindol's hardware store. April 14-17

FOR SALE—The property known as the First
M. E. church corner (S. 1212 E. 1212), Decatur, Ill.
This will make four splendid business lots, in
the best part of the city. For particulars apply
to JOHN W. SANBORN, care of Citizens' National
Bank. March 10-17

FOR SALE—Eight hundred dollars buys three
state-of-the-art building lots, each 12x12 each, up
North Church street. The lot will buy a handsome
house. You can make 50 per cent on these lots by
selling them. Write for particulars. Peter H. Bruck,
real estate broker, 215 North Main street. Nov 16-17

FOR SALE—Nice lot, 6x12x20 on North Union
street, front east. Owns buy it. Owner
wants money. This lot will be worth \$500 in the
spring. Have horse and buggy at office to show
you the property. Peter H. Bruck, real estate
broker, 215 North Main street. Nov 16-17

FOR SALE—20 horse-power boiler complete,
with all fittings, for sale at Fair & Wil-
son's on North Main street. Nov 16-17

FOR SALE—3x12x20 land building lot, east
front on North Church street, can be
bought for \$800 if sold this month, on account of
changing partnership business. This is a rare
look it up. Peter H. Bruck, real estate broker,
215 North Main street. Nov 16-17

Gray's Trade List.
We have for sale 220 acres, near Decatur,
120 to 400, Shelby county, 40 to 220, Fayette
county, 80 to 220, Jefferson county, 80 to 800 in
Missouri, Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky. Write
for city property or merchandise.
Merchandise, all kinds, and several factories
for trade.
Office hours, 8 a. m. to 8 p. m.
J. GRAY & SONS, 127 South Water street.
Jan 25-17

FOR SALE—Good residence property on south
side of Wood street, first block east of court
house block. Seven rooms on 1st & 2d floors, beau-
tiful kitchen, dining room and parlor under re-
fined house. First class Palace King furnace gas
and water. Fifty-four lot, with driveway extra.
City water and electric in house. On corner
street and street cars pass door. W. F. Shadle
deeds dly

MONEY TO LOAN.

TO LOAN—\$500 and over, interest 6 per cent,
on real estate. J. H. CORBIN, 1500 N. Main
St., Decatur, Ill. April 7-17

LOANS OF ALL KINDS.

MAJOR D. FISK BROS. Over Farmers' Bank.

MONEY TO LOAN—On real estate, farm or
city property, live stock, household goods or
personal security. Houses rented, rents and
accounts collected. J. W. HODMAN, 148 S. Water
St. Office hours, 8 a. m. to 7 p. m. Free
stairway north of Brunswick hotel. Feb 14-17

LOANS—I have money to place on farms and
city property not over 40 per cent of value at
5 per cent on 5 years time, with privilege of
payment after the second year. Also loan
money for nearly all classes of loans. Call or
address Samuel McElroy, 215 North Main street.
deeds demo

MONEY TO LOAN—In large or small amounts
on good city real estate or farm lands, good
notes of personal property. No delay. Money
paid at once if title is good. All business strictly
confidential. Office open every night. A. B. B.
SMITH, 146 East Main St. July 22-17

LOANS PEGRAM & CO.,

Room One, over Citizens' Nat. Bank.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BAILED JURY. Bailed jury, corn, oats, grass
feed for sale at T. B. Doane's, No. 211 West
Wood street. Jan 22-17

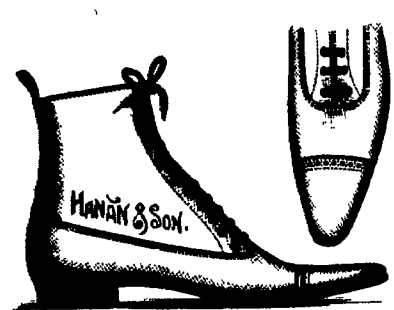
RHEUMATISM CURED.—For the past
18 years I have suffered intensely with
rheumatism and neuralgia. The last attack was
severe. After suffering for some time I was
cured by a friend to take Dr. Williams' Pink
Pills without cessation. To my surprise they
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COLUMBIA and HARTFORD BICYCLES,

Manufactured by the Pope Manufacturing Co., the highest grade goods in the world, range in price, \$50, \$60, \$80, and \$100. We have a full and complete line of their 1896 Models. Please come in and inspect them. We are selling a great many of these wheels now, and feel very confident that we can interest you if you will look them over.

Otto E. Curtis & Bro., Jewelers,

156 East Main St.—113 North Water St.



Hanan & Sons' Men's Fine Shoes.

This is the GOTHAM LAST which is the very latest New York style. We have them in BLACKS and TANS, not only in this style last but have all other new and up-to-date styles.

These Are the Shoes You Should Wear.

They are HAND-MADE, FINEST WORKMANSHIP, nothing better manufactured anywhere or for any money. They are the best shoes for you or for any gentleman who wants the best, most stylish and most durable shoes. Let us show you these styles. We know we can sell you.

Made to Sell at \$5, now \$3.90.

F. H. COLE SHOE CO.,

B. F. BOBO, Mn'gr.

148 East Main St.

Special Sales This Week.

DRESS GOODS.

SPECIAL SALE THIS WEEK.

Black Dress Goods at 20c, 25c, 35c, 50c and 65c.

Novelty Black Goods at 25c, 35c, 50c, 65c and 75c.

Novelty Satinings go at 25c, 35c, 50c and 65c.

WASH GOODS.

Gingham at 8c.

One lot Fine French Gingham, worth 15c, at 8c yard.

New French Percale on sale at 12 1/2c yd.

New French Dimity, in stripes and figures, at 12 1/2c yd.

CAPE.

SPECIAL SALE THIS WEEK.

Velvet Capes at \$5.00, \$6.50 and \$7.50.

Silk Capes at \$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$8.00.

Chas. T. Johnston
DECATUR, ILL.
161 NORTH WATER STREET.

Daily Republican

Mixed Paint,

also Varnish, in small cans, as well as in large ones. Paint Brushes, all sizes. Everything in the paint line at

KING & METZ'
...Drug Store...

MONDAY, APRIL 20, 1896.

LOCAL NEWS.

Drink Kola Vena at Irwin's.
Denz, Tallor, 117 North Water St.
Use Irwin's Perfect Tooth Powder.
Bert Gher sings at Grace M. E. church.
You pay a little more for Sleeth's portraits but—

Rubber Stamps—J. M. Myers, old phone 38.
Johnny Weigand still makes the Loda 10 cent cigar. mch35-dtf

Go to Henry Bros. bakery for all kinds of cakes, pies, etc. dec 26-dtf

Whitely handles none of the inferior grade chocolates.

Wanted—Office girl. Call at rooms 3 and 4 Postfield block.

Dr. L. E. Conrath, Dentist, rooms 42 and 43 Fenton block.

For loss of appetite take Irwin's Iron Tonic Bitters, a positive cure.

Habitual constipation can be cured by taking Irwin's Cascara Tablets.

Prescriptions carefully compounded day or night at Opera House drug store.

"118" that's the number of the O. and W. Blue Front Shoe store on Merchant street. apr 15-dtf

Just before going to bed eat a Cascara candy cathartic. Makes you feel fine in the morning.

Don't forget the New O. and W. Blue Front Shoe store; bargains in shoes is our aim. apr 15-dtf

Vote for the Republican nominees tomorrow. Don't let the Democrats fool you.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

What's the matter with you? Constipated? Cascara will cure. Eat them like candy.

A Gent's elegant Tan Shoe for \$1.98 at the O. and W. Blue Front Shoe store, 118 Merchant street. apr 15-dtf

Mama cuts a Cascara, baby gets the benefit. Cascara makes mother's milk mildly purgative.

Go to Spencer & Lehman company for wood pumps, iron pumps, force pumps and pump repairs. feb6d&wt

C. W. Knox, the vocalist, entertained the members of the junior and senior classes at the High school by singing several selections.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

Just Received—A full line of fresh garden seeds from the best and most reliable seedsmen by Spencer & Lehman company. Feb 26, d&w 3mo.

Andrew Peters is now connected with the V. H. Parke & Son establishment. For many years Mr. Peters was with the Martin line house.

The most unique and attractive window displays can be seen at the New O. and W. Blue Front Shoe store. Bargains every day, new displays and new bargains every week. apr 15 dtf

Remember and call on the O. and W. Blue Front Shoe Company where you will find the best shoes for the money in the city. apr 15-dtf

Go to Spencer & Lehman company for fine surreys, canopy and extension top-buggies and road wagons, and a full line of medium grade vehicles.

The regular meeting of the Mason county teachers' association will be held next Saturday afternoon at the office of Superintendent Keller at the court house. A program of special interest has been prepared for the occasion.

Step in at the C. B. Prescott music house on North Water street and see those magnificent Reed & Son's and Haines pianos. They are beautiful, every one of them, and either will please you and your family. Prices and terms will be agreeable.

In the county court Elmer E. Hershey has filed a petition for the appointment of a conservator for his brother, Edward S. Hershey, alleging that he is a spendthrift and a drunkard. Ed has property valued at \$2,000, and it is the desire of his family to have somebody look after their interests. The hearing on the petition will be had on May 4.

No better soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Riverton. Buy it at M. F. Metz. Personally he can be found at the yard office, 800 North Broadway. New Broadway office; Old Phone 438; New Phone 438. Also leave orders with T. W. Cann 628 North Main or with Harry Metz at King & Metz' drug store. Hard coal at all times, always in stock at market prices. Nov. 11dtf

On Sunday Charles C. Miller celebrated his 21st birthday at his home, 1019 North Union street. His father, Wm. C. Miller, presented Charles a check for \$1,000 and a deed for 40 acres of land situated near Missouri. Uncle Billy says if this boy makes good use of the starter given him there will be more to follow. Miss Flo Goodwin, Mrs. Miller's daughter, was presented with a purse of \$300.

The remains of Fred Richards were taken to Tusculum for burial this morning. A brief service was held at the residence on West Macon street.

Don't forget it. You can secure tickets and reserved seats as long as they last at the door. Lecture begins at 8:15. Admission 50 cents.

Notice, Salesman of Decatur. All clothing and dry goods salesmen and as many proprietors as possible, are requested to meet Wednesday night, April 23, at 8 o'clock, at the St. Nicholas, to take action in regard to Cheap Charley keeping open his store last Sunday. By order of committee.

Thrown From a Buggy. J. J. Ray, a farmer living five miles west of the city, met with an accident Sunday. He was driving on West Wood street when his horse freighted at a bicycle and ran away. Mr. Ray was thrown from his buggy and received a cut on his right leg. Dr. A. L. Collins was called and dressed the wound.

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MAIL ON THE BENCH.

No Decisions in the Garver and Collins Cases—Put Off for About Two Weeks.

HABEAS CORPUS CASE DISMISSED.

Judge Vail to be at Sullivan For Two Weeks—Judge Bookwalter to Come Over to Hear the Nicholson-Jeffers Evidence.

This forenoon Judge Vail was on the bench in the circuit court for a short time to pass on anything that might be brought up by the attorneys, before the time came for him to start for Sullivan to open the April term of the Moultrie county circuit court. He was at Tusculum all last week holding court under an agreement with Judge Wright. He has finished his promised work there, and now he is ready for trials at Sullivan, where among other important matters will come up the investigation of the Atterberry lynching affair. The judge stated today that he would simply do his duty in that case, instructing the grand jury as to their duties and then he would let it go at that.

In court this morning the first thing to come up was the case of William Schepper vs. Henry Baston and wife, an action under habeas corpus proceedings, by which Schepper desired to gain possession of his child. The matter has been adjourned without a hearing, and Attorney Sterrett entered a motion to dismiss the matter. It was so ordered. The father has his child and he will pay the costs.

In the case of Franklin Veech, against Mrs. Robinson, his former wife, to get possession of his little 8-year-old daughter, the court said he would not grant the adoption granted in the county court, because third parties had interests at stake. He said if there was anything wrong with the adoption decree Mr. Veech had his remedy in the courts and he could bring action. The little girl will continue to remain with her adopted parents.

The attorneys for the petitioner in this case were J. M. Gray and James Lee. Attorney J. L. Decker represented the other parties in interest.

The court announced that he was not ready to give his decision in the Garver and Collins cases, as he had been rushed with work all week. He could not tell now when he would be ready, but he would dispose of both cases before court was adjourned for the term. He remarked something to the effect that he wished something serious would happen to the man who had sprung the Collins case on him.

Attorney Park in the case of Smith vs. Smith suggested that two of the parties in interest since the suit began had changed their names by marriage, and he thought there should be a minute made of the fact. He said Mrs. Gallagher had changed her name to Brown, and that Mrs. Gertrude Walz had changed her name to Huff.

In the case of Love vs. The Covenant Insurance company the action was dismissed for want of equity.

It was stated by Attorney Walker that Judge Bookwalter might be here next Monday to take up the Nicholson vs. Jeffers case, in which case it might be well to adjourn court for only one week. It was so ordered, and court was ordered to stand adjourned until next Monday at 9 a. m.

TWO DIVORCE CASES.

Harry Baldwin Declares that His Wife Made It Hot for Him With Household Articles.

There were two applications for divorce filed in the office of the circuit clerk today.

The first was that of Harry R. Baldwin who is very anxious to secure legal separation from his wife, Lillie Baldwin, on the ground of cruelty. The couple were married in the city of St. Louis, May 26, 1881, and the complainant lived with his wife until September, 1895, when he couldn't stand her cruel treatment any longer, and he left her. Harry alleges in his application that Lillie has struck him with a tea-cup, with a bucket, a broomstick and also with a hatchet. And further that Lillie is a woman of great austerity of temper, and that he cannot get along with her. His attorney is J. M. Gray. The evidence will be heard at the June term of court.

Mrs. Ella LaMon on the ground of desertion asks that she be granted a divorce from her husband, John F. LaMon. The couple were married in Decatur in December, 1879, and continued to live together until September, 1893, when La Mon disappeared. There are three children, aged 4 to 15 years. The wife asks the custody of the children. Gray & Gray are the attorneys for the complainant.

Where Were We Yesterday.

Editor Republican.—We boasted in the Herald-Dispatch of Thursday, April 16th, that we were the monied part of the Christian church congregation. Yesterday, Sunday, April 19th, at the opening of the services, George F. Hall had the check to announce that there would be two separate collections, stating that some member of the board had commanded the treasurer of the church to pay no more of the collection money to Hall, therefore all who were in favor of upholding that element would place their money in the contribution baskets. All who were in favor of the pastor receiving his salary from the weekly offerings would please hand their money to three persons who would be stationed at the door after services. When the services were over we were all anxious to do our best; we went down in our pockets and dug out 18—what?—cents, while the poor people of the church handed \$37.50 to the persons stationed at the doors. O Lord, where will we be when we come into court? Signed, Brother-in-law of the rich members of the church.

THE WOMEN VOTED.

School Board Elections Held on Saturday—Result at Maroa.

Elections for members of the school boards were held Saturday at many towns in the state.

Maroa, April 20.—At the school election here there were 414 votes cast, being the largest number of votes ever cast at a school election here. The ladies were out in full force and some of them hustled voters to the polls in carriages. B. F. Shipley was elected president; E. P. Bowden and H. G. Kepler members of the board.

Assumption. Assumption, Ill., April 20.—The following were elected: President, A. Fear; trustees, W. T. Wallace, J. B. Urral, A. Flock. The women turned out for the first time, and elected their entire ticket.

Illopolis, Ill., April 20.—At the election for members of the board of education Dr. J. W. D. Mayes, the Republican candidate, was elected by a majority of 18. A large number of ladies voted.

Lincoln, Ill., April 20.—The Republican primaries were very interesting. It was thought, but the election of a president and two members of the board of education clearly outlasted it. The battle was begun at 1 o'clock and did not cease until several minutes after 5, as some voters were still endeavoring to cast ballots after the polls were closed. There were 347 votes cast by women out of a total of 1,145. Several combinations were in the field, and many unkind and ungenerous acts were indulged in, and the local wire pullers were given new ideas—those of the sterner sex. The township Democratic primaries up stairs confused some of the unwary. These are the winners: Dr. H. B. Brown, president, 917 votes; E. G. King, member, 996; Caroline Lutz, member, 648. King figured on several tickets.

The defeated were: T. T. Holton, for president, 214; Dr. Selma Miller, 335; Mrs. L. L. Morrison, 165.

The board of education when reorganized will be as follows: President, H. B. Brown, doctor; members, L. L. Leeds, doctor; Katherine Miller, doctor; E. C. Moore, lawyer; E. G. King, lawyer; S. S. Hobbs, banker; Caroline Lutz.

THE ELECTION TO MORROW.

Indications That All the Republican Aldermen Will Be Elected.

The best information from each of the wards, where the Democrats are trying to slip in an alderman by the still hunt plan, indicates that the Republicans have become pretty thoroughly aroused, and will turn out as they should at the polls tomorrow thoroughly determined to elect the Republican nominee. This means that every man will be elected if the present determination is adhered to. There is no good reason why every Republican should not be elected. The Republicans have the voters to go to it and it will be done if the voters go to the polls and deposit their ballots and the Republicans are glad to hear they have made up their minds to do it. Every Republican victory gained now make the contest next fall just that much easier.

Remember the polls open at 7 o'clock and close at 5 o'clock. It is easier to vote between the hours of 7 o'clock and 1 o'clock than it is after that hour. So it is best to vote the first part of the day.

ECHOES FROM THE FARM.

The Plows are in Motion and Corn Will be Planted This Week—Outs and Wheat Look Well.

Throughout the county the farmers are just now as busy as bees, plowing up the fields and getting a good ready to plant corn. Parties in the city today say that everywhere there is evidence of activity, and that the prospect for nearly every acre of land is being utilized was never brighter. It is stated that corn planting will begin this week in many parts of the county.

The outs are up. They look well, and so does the winter wheat. Even now some of the farmers see trouble ahead. They are complaining about the possibility of damage from the chinch bugs, and say they don't know how the crop will turn out.

The Daughters of the Revolution. The members of the Order of Daughters of the Revolution held a meeting this afternoon at the home of Mrs. George S. Durfee on North Main street. It was a celebration of the anniversary of the battle of Lexington. There was a large attendance of the ladies present and interesting papers were read. Mrs. E. D. Bartholomew read a history of the battles of Lexington and Concord, and Mrs. G. S. Durfee gave her genealogical history. There will probably be another meeting held next month and then the society will disband for the summer months. Next fall they will take a regular course of study on American history.

Among the members of the society who were in attendance this afternoon were Mrs. George S. Durfee, Mrs. E. D. Bartholomew, Mrs. J. K. Warren, Miss Jennie Durfee, Mrs. Will Barnes, Misses Mabel and Ghislene Durfee, Miss Belle Ewing, Mrs. Effie R. Kennedy, Mrs. Marietta King, Mrs. R. H. Montgomery, Mrs. V. S. Hatch, Mrs. T. T. Roberts.

Marriage Licenses.

Luther E. Martin, Mt. Zion. 19

Minnie E. Hector, Mt. Zion. 17

Levin E. Wits, Blue Mound. 40

Mrs. E. Colburn, Blue Mound. 28

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HARD TIMES AT TABERNACLE.

Collection Baskets Came Back Empty—Money Received at the Doors.

As usual there were large audiences at the Christian Tabernacle both morning and evening on Sunday. Rev. George F. Hall seemed to be in good spirits and preached two earnest, practical sermons. Just before taking the collection at each service the pastor announced that some body, presumably his opponents in the board, had given the treasurer, W. A. Williams, instructions to pay him no more on salary till he resigned. Mr. Hall said he thought this was a peculiar way to do, try to turn a man off without paying him up. There is about \$230 coming him all told he said, \$135 of the amount having accrued before his thirty days' notice was up. So he announced that two collections would be taken, the first and regular one for the use of the "kicker" element, and then at the close of the services three persons would be found stationed at the doors to receive the offerings of those who wished to see the pastor receive his salary. The result was astonishing. At the morning service six baskets came back empty, and the seventh contained just five cents, deposited by a little girl. This the treasurer took. But down at the doors Mr. Hall's collectors received over \$84, outsiders and new converts being among the heaviest contributors. At night the baskets came in with eleven cents, while the pastor's collection at the doors reached \$14. And this morning one who was not able to be present yesterday called at the parsonage and gave the preacher \$15, making a total of \$99 for Mr. Hall as against 16 cents for the "ruling power." This plan will be kept up until some better arrangement can be made. Mr. Hall's friends regret the necessity of such a course, but they say this is a free country, and American citizens have a right to pay their money to whom they please. They resent as a gross insult the insinuation that the opposition has been peddling around that the paying members of the church are against the pastor. They claim that four-fifths of all that has been raised the past two years came from those who are now in sympathy with Mr. Hall.

There were four conversions at the evening service, and a number of baptisms. The pastor announced that these made a grand total of 370 accessions to the church during his pastorate of not quite twenty-eight months.

Dates for Corn Planting.

The excellent condition in which the farmers find the soil, coupled with the splendid warm days that have been experienced lately, creates a strong temptation to hasten the business of planting corn, and thereupon rises an important question: What is the earliest date at which it is safe and profitable to plant corn in this latitude? Last year a nipping frost occurred on May 14 and cut down all the corn that had put its head above the surface in this vicinity. There is usually liability to freezing from the 1st to the 14th of May, so that, as a general statement, it may be said that plantings which will put the young corn in danger between May 10 and 14 are not the best. Experiments made at the Illinois University farm, covering eight years ending with 1895, show that the best results are obtained from plantings ranging from May 4 to 18, the tendencies favoring the later dates rather than the earlier. Last year a planting made on May 21 grew rapidly, and matured with a planting made May 6, which is practically equal in yield. It is probable that May 20 is about the latest date that can be depended upon to make up by rapid development for the loss of time to rapid maturity, though plantings as late as May 27, last year, gave reasonably satisfactory results. The conclusion reached from the experiments on the farm is stated in these words: "Medium plantings grow faster, attain a greater development and secure a higher yield than, extremely early or extremely late plantings."

Called From Mt. Zion.

Rev. S. L. McAnis, pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Mt. Zion, preached his farewell sermon last night to a crowded house. Rev. McAnis goes from Mt. Zion to accept a call from Ridge Farm, Vermilion county.

Every effort was made by the Mt. Zion congregation to retain him, but without avail. He has preached to this congregation for three and a half years, and the church has been largely built up and blessed under his pastorate.

Rev. McAnis seemed to think that his duty lay to go; however, the congregation at Mt. Zion could not see it that way yet they released him at his request and he leaves regretted as the most popular pastor that has preached in Mt. Zion for several years. His place will be supplied as soon as possible and the congregation at Mt. Zion will not remain long without a pastor.

Talmage is Here.

The noted divine arrived today from Chicago, and will speak tonight at the Tabernacle. People have been pouring in all day from the surrounding towns, and the occasion promises to be the event of the year. At the low price of admission, 50 cents, everybody can afford to go, and the big building is almost sure to be crowded.

Sales of Real Estate.

Allice Roger to Hattie B. Heath, lot 30 block 9, East Park boulevard; \$1,000.

William T. Moffett to Julius S. Brown, tract in block 10, Western addition; \$1,000.

James J. Finn to Frank M. Railroad, master's deed to tract of land in 36, 1st east; \$293.

BULUWAYO DOOMED.

Nothing but Peril and Famine and Massacre Expected.

MATABELES STILL INVEST THE TOWN.

A Reconnoitering Force Develops the Fact That the Enemy is Preparing to Cut Off Supplies—Starvation Imminent.

Cape Town, April 21.—A reconnoitering party, two hundred strong, left Buluwayo yesterday morning and discovered that the Matabeles instead of having given up the idea of attacking Buluwayo are turning their attention to an attempt to intercept the relief corps from Mafeking by advancing southward, and still remained in strong force five miles north-east of this city. A part of Matabele host had evidently gone to intercept the relief corps but several thousand well armed warriors, more than enough for attack on the city, still remained. The reconnoitering party, after a skirmish with them returned to the city. The facts thus ascertained have caused the utmost uneasiness. Eighteen wagon loads of provisions, are supposed to be entering the town but there are many months to be fed and relief corps is still a long way off and moving slowly on account of the scarcity of water and the ravages of the rinder pest among the cattle. It is feared a month or more will elapse before the relief corps can reach Buluwayo. The situation grows darker daily. Fully two hundred people have been killed by Matabeles since the uprising began. Men of experience in South African warfare claim to see in the tactics of the natives, guiding hand of the Transvaal burghers. They insist that the Boers are aiming for a struggle with the British for the mastery in South Africa and are actively encouraged and assisted by Germany. It is reported that the Boers have fifteen hundred men and several large guns at convenient distance from Mafeking and it is believed they are more than willing to make common cause with the Matabeles and strike a blow at British supremacy. Indeed everything is on a volcano in South Africa and no persons here can correctly foretell results.

COMPTROLLER ECKELS.

Says He Did Not Say That in His Opinion Cleveland Would Run Again.

Chicago, April 21.—Comptroller Eckels said today: "A curious typographical error appeared in one of the morning papers and made me say clearly a thing which I did not say respecting my impressions of the president's attitude. I understand that this error has been repeated all over the country. What I did say was this: 'I do not know anything positively about President Cleveland's intentions or wishes relating to the presidency but my impression is that he feels there is no reason why he should be willing to enter another presidential canvass.' The printer made it 'unwilling' instead of 'willing' exactly reversing my meaning."

Massachusetts Democrats for Russell.

Boston, April 21.—With enthusiasm almost surpassing that at the Republican state convention when Hon. Thomas B. Reed was endorsed as a presidential candidate the Democrats of Massachusetts in state convention today, set their approval on Cleveland's administration and named ex-Governor W. E. Russell as their choice for Cleveland's successor. Hon. John E. Thayer of Worcester, was made permanent chairman.

On assuming the chair Thayer delivered an address saying the Democratic administration had redeemed its pledges to the people by repealing the force bill, the Sherman silver purchase bill, and the McKinley tariff bill. The repeal of the last two had been followed by a return of prosperity. The Democratic party provided sufficient revenue but the supreme court decided the income tax unconstitutional. The speaker took the ground against the free coinage of silver and said "of what avail is it to pass resolutions for a single gold standard as now appears quite probable? McKinley is to receive the nomination for president. The people well know McKinley is upon record as a white metal advocate; that he had a long and consistent uninterrupted record while in congress favorable to silver." Thayer denounced the A. P. A. which he said was a "fungus growth that sprang from and took root, flourished and fruited in the very heart of the Republican party." Thayer closed his address with an eulogy on Cleveland's administration.

The following were chosen delegates at large to the national convention: Hon. John E. Russell, Leicester; George F. Williams, Dedham; John W. Corcoran, Clinton; James W. Donovan, Boston. The platform declared "never in any epoch in our country's history has the executive chair been filled by broader minded statesman than the president chosen by our party, Grover Cleveland." He is congratulated upon his "firmness, ability and wisdom with which he has conducted his office. The platform deals with national finances at great length and charges the financial depression which began in 1893, as a result of the Republican financial system. It demands the "maintenance of the existing gold standard of value and that the government shall keep all its obligations at all times redeemable and payable in gold. It also says: "And we oppose the free coinage of silver and any further purchases of silver bullion or coinage issued on government account; not

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